STATE of WISCONSIN



Proclamation

WHEREAS; Wisconsin women share a deep-rooted history of conservation and have long played an important role in the stewardship of land in the state; and

WHEREAS; according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), in 2019, more than half of all U.S. farming operations had at least one woman operator, and data from the most recent USDA Census of Agriculture estimates that women make up approximately 35 percent of all agricultural producers in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; women landowners in Wisconsin understand the importance of collaborative conservation and are champions of conservation practices such as the utilization of cover crops and pollinator habitats, the protection of native species, and regenerative agriculture; and

WHEREAS; the state offers many resources and technical supports for women landowners and landowners of all backgrounds, especially those who are beginning their conservation journeys; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin joins women landowners and farmers across the state in celebrating the essential contributions they make to conservation and to the prosperity of the agricultural industry as a whole;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim July 10 - 16, 2023, as

WISCONSIN WOMEN IN CONSERVATION WEEK

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 30th day of June 2023.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor

SARAH GODLEW & Secretary of State